

HYLAN TO REJECT CHAMBERLAIN BILL

Mayor Ignores Comptroller's Charge That Berolzheimer Depleted Bank Reserves.

REFUSES PAY RAISES

Indicates He Will Disapprove Measure to Provide 325 Park 'Sparrow Cops.'

Mayor Hylan announced yesterday at a public hearing upon fifty-eight bills passed by the last session of the Legislature that he would disapprove the measure abolishing the office of City Chamberlain. The bill was introduced at the instance of Comptroller Charles L. Craig, as was the similar bill passed and disapproved by the Mayor last year, and marks another chapter in the long feud between the Comptroller and Chamberlain Philip Berolzheimer, appointed and adviser of the Mayor.

In disapproving the measure the Mayor ignored a protest by Comptroller Berolzheimer, "through favoritism and arbitrary action," depleted the reserves of banks from which the city borrowed in order to furnish the reserves of the Chase National Bank. The Chamberlain's zeal in that respect went so far, the Comptroller said, that he frequently exceeded the legal limit of deposits—once by more than \$22,000,000—and so gutted that institution with sinking fund deposits that deposits for running expenses were impossible, resulting in the bank having to allow the city to make overdrafts to the extent of more than \$10,000,000 until the situation could be adjusted.

Mayor Hylan also disapproved the bill increasing his salary from \$125,000 to \$150,000 and the bill increasing the salary of the Comptroller from \$125,000 to \$150,000 and the pay of the President of the Board of Aldermen from \$7,500 to \$10,000. That action was taken to indicate that the Mayor probably will veto also the bill raising the pay of the Board of Elections, though he took that measure under advisement without comment.

He reserved decision on the bill to create a detective division of 700 men in the Police Department, which would legislate into permanent jobs all members having served five years.

He indicated he would disapprove a bill to provide 325 park "sparrow" cops for the parks, because it would cost \$700,000 a year.

WALL STREET BOMB SUSPECT IN NEW ALIBI

Says He Was in Barber Shop in Scranton.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. SCRANTON, Pa., April 27.—Tito Ligi, the Wall Street bomb suspect, recollected to-day he was in a barber shop in South Scranton the evening of September 15, the day of the explosion, and that he talked with the barber about the big blowup. Detectives went to the barber shop but the barber could not say positively Ligi was in the shop that evening.

All detectives checking up the movements of Ligi are satisfied he was in Scranton that day, although they have not been able to establish definitely his whereabouts when the explosion occurred. For this reason the Federal and New York city detectives will continue their investigation until the young Italian is eliminated as a suspect.

Detective Joseph Barbell of the bomb squad joined the New York detectives here to-day.

H. T. PROCTER ESTATE EXCEEDS \$3,500,000

Larger Holdings Consist of Soap Company's Stock.

Harley T. Procter of the Procter, Gamble Company, soap makers, who died in his home, 11 East Fifty-second street, May 15 last, left a net estate of \$3,515,475, according to the appraisals filed yesterday by the Deputy State Comptroller. The estate was represented by \$26,700 in real estate, \$95,000 in cash, \$50,000 in bonds and mortgages, and \$3,290,000 in securities, the larger holdings being \$2,000,000 in Liberty bonds and \$2,000,000 in common stock of the soap company.

His wife, Mary E. Procter, 11 East Fifty-second street, received household goods appraised at \$24,815 and a life interest in \$1,500,000. His sons and daughter, William Procter, Park avenue, and Rodney Procter, 565 Park avenue, and Lillie Sanford Procter, Greenwich Conn., received \$24,815 each and their mother's trust fund on her death.

STEPMOTHER CHARGES BURDEN KEEPS BONDS

Long Island City Man Held in \$1,500 Bail.

Walter H. Burden, Jr., a member of a prominent Long Island City family, was held by Magistrate James J. Conway in the Long Island City police court yesterday in \$1,500 bail for the Grand Jury on a charge preferred by his stepmother that he was retaining stocks and bonds belonging to her late husband, Walter H. Burden, from Florida, where he had been murdered. Burden furnished bonds.

The will of the late Walter H. Burden, offered for probate in Suffolk county, cuts off his daughter, Mrs. Maude P. Burden of Long Island City, without a cent.

RAID ON SHIP YIELDS WHISKEY AND DRUGS

Inspectors Pursue Launch and Then Raid Steamship.

A dozen United States customs inspectors under Inspector Timothy Lane boarded the steamship Chester Kiwanis in the Bay Ridge flats yesterday and confiscated a large quantity of heroin and cocaine and several cases of whiskey which they declare were being smuggled into the United States.

80 Quarts Liquor Found in a Crewless Airplane

SAVANNAH, April 27.—A commercial airplane, loaded with eighty quarts of liquor but minus a crew, was found peacefully resting on the municipal landing field yesterday. Nobody knew where it came from or when it arrived, and State officials were puzzled what to do with it, though they promptly seized its cargo. The State prohibition act doesn't cover confiscation of bootlegging aircraft.

PROBE ON TRAIL OF BUILDING COST PLOT

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The information contained in the daily reports mailed to members of the various exchanges, and asked the witness if it was not a fact that by means of these members might keep a complete set of books on prices and sales of competitors.

The committee's counsel then read into the record what purported to be part of the minutes of a meeting of the Brass and Copper Exchange, held on June 3 last, in which Attorney Merckler was quoted as saying to one of the members, a Mr. Miller, in the course of a discussion of the Government's attitude toward price fixing: "However, you are right, Mr. Miller. There is a great deal of agitation in Washington and I try to keep in touch with it, go around to the Department of Justice at least every month, sometimes twice a month, to find out what the temper of the department is, and I think that is the situation now. These new officials in there, new Attorney-General and new assistant to the Attorney-General, have any number of complaints about high prices, and they are inclined to look into them."

Willis O. Robb, manager of the New York Fire Insurance Exchange, who on Tuesday told of a meeting of the Brass and Copper Exchange, held on June 3 last, in which Attorney Merckler was quoted as saying to one of the members, a Mr. Miller, in the course of a discussion of the Government's attitude toward price fixing: "However, you are right, Mr. Miller. There is a great deal of agitation in Washington and I try to keep in touch with it, go around to the Department of Justice at least every month, sometimes twice a month, to find out what the temper of the department is, and I think that is the situation now. These new officials in there, new Attorney-General and new assistant to the Attorney-General, have any number of complaints about high prices, and they are inclined to look into them."

Reverting to the summary discipline exercised by the Insurance Exchange, which cancels or suspends the certificates of offending members, or imposes fines when they do business with non-members, Mr. Undermyer asked: "Do you think the State of New York ought to assume some jurisdiction either through the courts or somewhere else to stop that form of arbitrary practice?" "I do not. The certificate is unimportant," Mr. Robb replied.

"There are exchanges all over the country like the New York exchange, are there not?" "Yes," Mr. Robb replied.

"And these monopolize the business in their jurisdiction?"

"Yes. There is no free competition in the United States in the insurance business, whether under State control, under subscription bureau or under member bureaus. It is not possible."

"We will see about the possibility of it," Mr. Undermyer replied. "Your exchange in this jurisdiction has the distinction of being the most complete monopoly, has it not?" "It is one of them," Mr. Robb admitted.

The inquiry will continue to-day.

20 SUPPLY DEALERS MAY PLEAD GUILTY

Trial of 53 Begins To-day Before Justice Davis.

When the trial of the fifty-three members of the Association of Dealers in Mason's Supplies begins to-day before Justice Davis in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court, the trial will enter the phase of well informed sources. Indictments against the individual members of the association charge conspiracy to violate the Donnelly anti-trust law.

Martin Conboy is counsel for forty of the defendants, and it is said that those who will plead guilty are among his clients. Other counsel who will appear to-day for defendants include George Medaille, Don Carlos Buell and former Justice James A. Delahanty.

Mr. Buell, counsel for the Peck Building Materials Company and for Nathan Peck, its president, admitted last night that among counsel for the fifty-three defendants it was believed that some of the indicted men would plead guilty.

WOMAN HELD AS MAILER OF TREASON CIRCULARS

Police Say Workers Were Urged to Prepare for Revolt.

Miss Anna Kinsman of 298 North Third street, Brooklyn, was arrested last night by Sergeant Handoff, as she was putting into the mail boxes at 925 Brook avenue, the Bronx, circulars that the police declare, urged workers to prepare "for the revolution" and advocated violence against the Government.

Sergeant Handoff took her to the Morrisania precinct, where she destroyed the circulars as she was being searched. They were placed together by the police and will be used as evidence. The Bronx police say that in the last week about 50,000 circulars of this sort have been placed in the letter boxes in the borough.

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Wife Asserts He Struck Her So Hard That Blow Was Heard in Next Room.

GOVERNOR STUDIES LAST PLEA FOR ODELL

Closeted Alone in Study He Considers Evidence on Kneip Murder.

Justice Platt in the Supreme Court at White Plains yesterday reserved decision on the motion of Mrs. Evelyn Howell of New Rochelle for \$300 a week alimony and \$2,500 counsel fees pending trial of her separation suit against Frank S. Howell, superintendent of construction on Ellis Island and a former member of the engineering firm of Howell & Howell. Attorneys for Howell interposed a motion declaring that instead of being wealthy, as alleged by his wife, Howell has unpaid notes aggregating \$42,000, and owes more than \$5,000 to tradesmen in New Rochelle.

Mrs. Howell's charge against her husband is inhuman treatment, declaring that he not only struck her, but that he was insanely jealous of her. One particular act of cruelty which she cites occurred, she said, in her own home, when Howell struck her so hard with his fist that the sound of the blow was heard in the next room. She says also that during a row at the Hunter Island Inn a woman, who had come there with her husband, threw a glass of wine in her face.

According to the testimony at the trial, Knep blackened the character of Mrs. Odell after her marriage. She and her husband in revenge lured him in a taxi cab and taking him to a lonely spot handcuffed him to a tree and beat him.

"Sometimes," said the lawyer, "she had at least forty people at a house party, winning and dining all night. On one occasion they played leap frog on the lawn at 5 o'clock in the morning."

HOLMES'S TALKS NOT SAFE, SAYS ETTINGER

Board Approves Disbarment as School Lecturer.

The Rev. Dr. John Haynes Holmes was barred from speaking in the public schools only after an examination of his utterances on various public occasions had shown that he could not safely be entrusted to talk to young people, it was stated by William L. Ettinger, Superintendent of Schools yesterday at a meeting of the Board of Education. At the same time Mr. Ettinger read a letter he has written to Nathan Seidman, director of the Brooklyn Forum, explaining the disbarment of Dr. Holmes. The letter and the action taken in regard to the preacher were unanimously concurred in.

Mr. Ettinger's letter to Director Seidman said that Dr. Holmes's beliefs might "politely" be called those of a "philosophical anarchist." In the minds of American children, Mr. Ettinger added, must be inoculated "only the principles of true Americanism."

Anning S. Prall, president of the board, said he too has concluded that Dr. Holmes's statements are far from "the full 100 per cent. standard of Americanism which the school authorities demand from the lecturers."

46 LEAVE COURT ROOM TO FIGHT IN STREET

Lawyer Attacked Draws Gun to Protect Himself.

Forty witnesses and a half dozen lawyers who appeared before Magistrate Levine in the Washington Heights court in a disorderly conduct case yesterday afternoon got into a fight after they had left the court and gone into the street. They fought for some time, aided by enthusiastic volunteers, until more than a hundred persons were involved and 500 watched. The fighters were finally dispersed by court attendants after one lawyer had drawn a gun to keep the crowd from beating him.

The persons in the fight were connected with the charge of disorderly conduct brought against Alexander Steinfield, a Grand street milliner, by Mrs. Fannie Licker of 1842 Seventh avenue. Her husband is president of the Atlas Can Company, but is seeking a divorce. The charge grew out of a visit Steinfield and others are said to have made to Mrs. Licker's apartment after evidence. Magistrate Levine ordered a complaint drawn and adjourned the case until to-day.

BLAMES TWIN BEDS FOR ESTRANGEMENT

J. W. Murray Answers Wife's Suit for Separation.

Supreme Court Justice McAvoy granted \$40 a week alimony and \$150 counsel fees yesterday to Mrs. Anna Murray of 740 Madison avenue, until recently an understudy in the "Three Live Ghosts" company, pending settlement of her suit for separation from John W. Murray, advertising man, who, she alleges, makes \$15,000 a year. They were married Christmas eve. She alleges her husband is living now at the Chatham Hotel, returns home only occasionally and does not furnish her sufficient funds.

Mr. Murray, in making a general denial of her allegations, says he lives at the hotel so that he can sleep, as his wife used to compel him to sleep on a couch in the Madison avenue home. They quarreled on their honeymoon at Atlantic City, he alleges, because he refused to have twin beds in their suite. His wife's men and women friends "seem to be extreme radicals," he replies, saying one of them asserted the Government should be overthrown by force and also aired his views in favor of free love.

WANAMAKER TO ATTEND.

John Wanamaker of Philadelphia is to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the World Sunday School Association in the Union League Club tomorrow night at the Waldorf-Astoria school convention last October in Tokyo. About forty members will be present, including delegates from Canada and most of the States of this country.

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Max Baer, her son, told the police his mother had been despondent. The police scouted the holdup theory and said it was a case of suicide. A revolver was found in the room with one cartridge exploded, they reported.

\$293,933 FOR CHARITIES.

A report of collections made Sunday, Monday and Tuesday for the Catholic Charities Organization prepared yesterday showed that a total of \$293,933.89 was contributed during these days. Tuesday's total was about \$100,000. Twenty thousand workers are making the canvass of the New York archdiocese.

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